

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Chih-Ming Chen, et al.  
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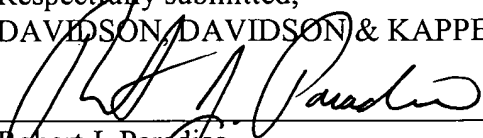
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)(1)**

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Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Response in the above matter, for one month from November 2, 2006 to December 2, 2006. Applicants note the Amendment was due on December 2, 2006, which fell on a Saturday. Accordingly this Response is being submitted timely on Monday, December 4, 2006.

A check is enclosed in the amount of \$120.00 which covers the one (1) month extension fee. If it is determined that any additional fees are due or if any fees have been overpaid, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the deficiency or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

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